

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:
Hideyoshi OKITA

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METHOD AND APPARATUS

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Examiner: Vera STULII

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action e-mailed February 27, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 12 of this paper.